

Appendix F

The following are the instructions for finding the PostgreSQL Configured Data Directory (PGDATA).

How to Find PGDATA

To see where the data directory (PGDATA) is located, run the following commands:

```
$ sudo su - postgres
$ psql -c "SHOW data_directory";
```

Export PGDATA Variable in .bashrc

After finding the configured data_directory, it is useful to export the PGDATA variable in the database owner's .bashrc file.

As the database administrator (usually postgres), edit the .bashrc file in home directory of the user:

Note: This is just an example; use the result from the query run above.

```
$ sudo su - postgres
$ echo "export PGDATA='/var/lib/pgsql/12/data' >> ~/.bashrc"
```

Reload the .bashrc file:

```
$ sudo su - postgres
$ source ~/.bashrc
```

Verify the variable is set:

```
$ echo ${PGDATA?}
```